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Enclosed with reference to the above matter are the following documents:

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APPLICANT'S SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

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Sirs:

This Summary of Interview is filed in connection with the telephone interview between the Examiner and the undersigned on July 20, 2004, in order to clarify the statement in the Examiner's Interview Summary mailed July 28, 2004.

As a matter of clarification, the Examiner's statement that "Claims 8-32 have been canceled because the rejections of record could either be sustained or another rejection was appropriate," represents only the Examiner's own opinion. The undersigned did not agree (and does not agree) that claims 8-32 are not patentable.

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